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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

HAIR *et al.*

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Group Art Unit: 2873

Appln. No: 09/729,853

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Examiner: Lester, E.

Filing Date: March 3, 1999

Title: OPTICAL VEND-SENSING SYSTEM
FOR CONTROL OF VENDING MACHINE

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August 13, 2001

~~PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT~~

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Hon. Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed document.


This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

The Rule 17(p) Official Fee Required by Rule 97(c) in lieu of certification is filed herewith. Should that fee be missing or inadequate, please charge the deficiency to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 71361/271810 for which purpose this paper is submitted in duplicate.

Consideration of the foregoing and the enclosure plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with the next action are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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